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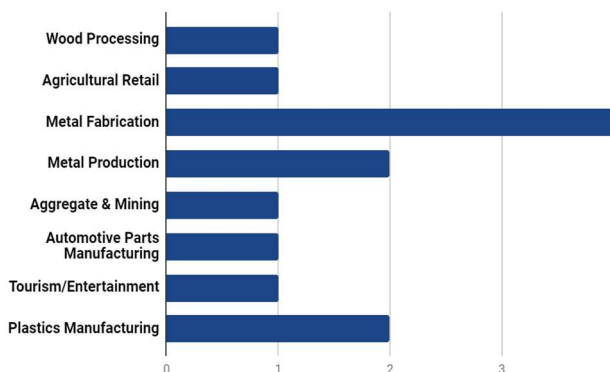
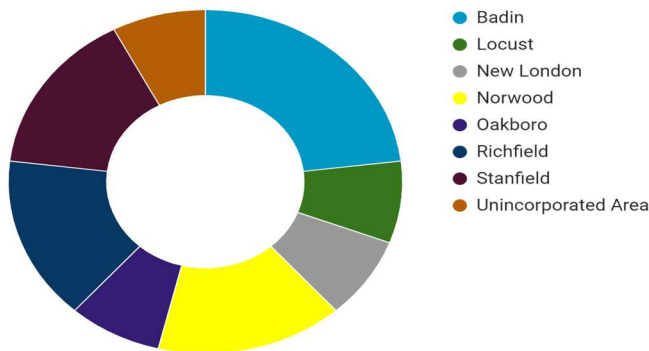
Economic Development Update

The current number of projects with activity in the past six (6) months is thirteen (13). There was one (1) new active project lead in the past 30 days. The lead was self-generated by the EDC.

Staff responded to seven (7) Request for Information (RFIs) in the past 30 days. One of these RFIs was generated by the Charlotte Regional Business Alliance (CRBA). The remaining six (6) were generated by the Economic Development Partnership of NC (EDPNC).

EDC staff made four (4) existing industry visits in the past 30 days.

Below please find a couple charts with the locations under consideration and the industry type for the active projects:



Facility Needs Assessment & Programming Kicks Off

At the Board's planning retreat back in February, the Board asked staff to begin the process of planning for new office space for the Sheriff's Office, a new 911 center as well as administrative offices for EMS and the Fire Marshal's Office.

Earlier this week, County staff met with consultant, Steve Allen, to begin the process of reviewing the current and future space needs for the Sheriff's Office as well as 911, EMS admin and the Fire Marshal's Office.

Steve's firm (Solutions for Local Government, Inc.) will be conducting a space needs assessment and facility programming study over the course of the next four (4) months. The study will include a probable cost analysis.

The formal study will help management make an informed recommendation to the Board as it relates to the size and scope of each facility.

The study will include, but is not limited to, an examination of the current space allocation, OSHA and ADA requirements, 911 center protocols, etc. to help inform the current and future operational needs of each department. Further, the study will look at current inefficiencies, staffing, call volume/workload and parking requirements so the facilities will be sufficient to handle future growth in each program area/department.

Upcoming Meetings & Events

Regular BOCC Meeting

Tuesday, September 7
6:00 PM
Gene McIntyre Room